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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Aaron P. White *et al.*
 Application No. : 09/543,407.
 Filed : April 5, 2000
 For : *BACTERIAL FIMBRIAL SYSTEM FOR PRESENTATION OF HETEROLOGOUS PEPTIDE SEQUENCES*

Examiner : Vanessa L. Ford
 Art Unit : 1645
 Docket No. : 920043.406
 Date : July 23, 2002

Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, DC 20231

REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated March 8, 2002, please extend the period of time for response two (2) months, to expire on August 8, 2002. Enclosed is a Petition for an Extension of Time with the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph title at page 1, line 15 with the following rewritten paragraph title:

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[Creation of Recombinant *Salmonella* Strains]

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 28, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[Several strains of *E. coli* produce fimbriae named curli, which are highly related to thin aggregative fimbriae from *Salmonella* spp. Both TAF and curli are primarily

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